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DCR Recreational Advisory: Off Highway Vehicle Trails

BOSTON – Tuesday, May 5, 2015- The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) announced today that the opening date for Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) riding in the following designated state forests in western Massachusetts will be Friday, May 8:

- Pittsfield State Forest
- October Mountain State Forest
- Beartown State Forest
- Tolland State Forest (Off-Highway Motorcycles only)

With the exception of Tolland SF, all riders must obtain a riding permit by calling (413) 358-2172 or via email at Pittsfield.ATV-permits@state.ma.us. OHV riding in any other western Massachusetts DCR facility is strictly prohibited year-round.

For more information regarding trail OHV trail conditions, please visit www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/ or by calling 413-442-8928 or 413-358-2172.

The Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), an agency of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, oversees 450,000 acres of parks and forests, beaches, bike trails, watersheds, dams, and parkways. Led by Commissioner Carol Sanchez, the agency's mission is to protect, promote, and enhance our common wealth of natural, cultural, and recreational resources. To learn more about DCR, our facilities, and our programs, please visit www.mass.gov/dcr. Contact us at mass.parks@state.ma.us.

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